

## Guidance for Creating Policy & Sample Template

This document provides an overview of the requirements within Ohio Administrative Code 3333-1-65.13 for Underperforming Students. For exact language, refer to the rule in its entirety.

### Rule Summary

Beginning summer term 2018, the new administrative rule for College Credit Plus (CCP) Underperforming Students must be implemented.

#### *Definitions:*

An **underperforming student** is defined as a student who meets at least one of these conditions:

- 1) Has a cumulative GPA of lower than a 2.0 in the college courses taken through the CCP program.
- 2) Withdraws from, or receives no credit for, two or more courses in the same term. (Withdrawing from a course occurs when the student dis-enrolls from a course after the census date and the secondary school is financially responsible for the tuition associated with the course.)

An **ineligible student** is defined as a student who meets the definition of an underperforming student for two consecutive terms of enrollment.

#### *CCP Probation:*

- A secondary school must place an underperforming student on CCP Probation. The school must promptly notify the student, the student's parent, and each college in which the student is enrolled. The school must advise the student and the student's parent on requirements for continuing in the program.
- A student on CCP Probation may enroll in no more than one college course and the student may not enroll in a college course in the same subject in which the student earned a grade of D or F or for which the student received no credit.
- If the student had already registered for more than one course prior to being placed on CCP Probation, the student must request each college or university to dis-enroll the student from courses as necessary. The student, as noted above, may continue to be enrolled in one course. The student must notify that college of which course the student would like to remain enrolled.
- The college will confirm the course enrollment and all course dis-enrollments in the Pre-Term Notice of Admission (14 days prior to the semester start).
- If the student fails to dis-enroll, the secondary school will promptly notify the student and the student's parent that the student will be responsible for paying all tuition, fees, and textbooks costs. That student is also then considered an ineligible student and is dismissed from the CCP program in the next term.
- If the student on CCP Probation takes one course and the grade raises the student's cumulative GPA to a 2.0 or higher, the student is removed from CCP Probation and may participate in the program without restrictions.
- If the grade does not raise the cumulative GPA to a 2.0 or higher, the secondary school is responsible for dismissing the student from the program.

#### *CCP Dismissal:*

- A secondary school is responsible for dismissing an ineligible student from the CCP program. The school must promptly notify the student, the student's parent, and each college or university in which the student is enrolled.
- Any student on CCP Dismissal may not take any college courses through the program.
- If the student had already registered for college courses prior to being dismissed, the student will request each college to dis-enroll the student from the courses.
- The college will confirm all course dis-enrollments in the Pre-Term Notice of Admission (14 days prior to the semester start).
- If the student fails to dis-enroll, the secondary school will promptly notify the student and the student's parent that the student will be responsible for paying all tuition, fees, and textbooks costs. The student will continue to be on CCP Dismissal for an additional term.

**Appeals Process Summary**

1. A student may appeal to the district superintendent or school governing entity the CCP Dismissal or prohibition from taking a course in the same subject in which the student earned a grade of “D” or “F” or for which the student received no credit.

The governing entity or superintendent will consider any extenuating circumstances separate from academic performance that may have affected the student’s CCP status and may do any of the following:

- (a) Allow the student to participate in the program without restrictions.
- (b) Allow the student to take a course in the same subject in which the student earned a grade of “D” or “F” or for which the student received no credit.
- (c) Allow the student to participate in the program on CCP Probation.
- (d) Maintain the student’s status on CCP Dismissal from the program.

Each secondary school, prior to the start of the summer term in 2018, shall develop a policy that defines the academic progress that a student must achieve to be reinstated to the CCP program on CCP Probation or without restrictions. The policy also shall include the procedures for a student to request an appeal of the student’s status.

2. The student must request an appeal within five business days after being notified of the CCP Dismissal or the CCP Probation that prohibits the student from taking a course in the same subject.
  - The secondary school will promptly notify any college or university in which the student is enrolled that the student has requested an appeal.
  - The district superintendent or school governing entity will issue a decision on the student’s appeal within ten business days after the date the appeal is made.
  - The decision of the superintendent or governing entity is final.
  - The secondary school will promptly notify any college or university in which the student is enrolled of the decision.
    - If the decision is to continue the CCP Dismissal, the college or university will permit the student to withdraw from all courses without penalty and the secondary school will not be required to pay for those courses.
    - If the superintendent or governing entity fails to issue a decision within ten business days, the college or university will permit the student to withdraw from all courses for which the student is not eligible without penalty. If the decision on the appeal is made after the college/university’s no-fault withdrawal date, the secondary school will pay for those courses.
3. Secondary schools must include information about CCP Probation and CCP Dismissal including procedures for appeals in the Information Session and counseling services.

**College or University Academic Policies**

Nothing in the CCP Probation and CCP Dismissal rule alters, supersedes, or affects any college’s or university’s policies or procedures on academic probation or dismissal. CCP students are subject to the institution’s policy.

**Secondary School Policy for Appeals Template**

This template is provided as an example only. Districts may create and adopt a policy without use of this template.

For students on CCP Dismissal who are seeking to be reinstated to the College Credit Plus program either on CCP Probation or without restrictions, the district must create a policy, which can include the following examples of quantitative, objective activities or measurements:

Example:

*The College Credit Plus Dismissal Appeals policy for \_\_\_\_\_ School District is based on the requirements of Ohio Administrative Code 3333-1-65.13. Students who have been placed on CCP Dismissal or who have been placed on CCP Probation that prohibits the student from taking a course in the same subject and wish to appeal must notify the district superintendent within five business days after being notified of the CCP Dismissal or CCP Probation status. The district will notify the college or university in which a student is enrolled that the student has requested an appeal. The district superintendent will issue a decision on the student's appeal within ten business days after the date of the appeal is made. The decision of the superintendent is final.*

*To request an appeal, a student must provide a written explanation of why the student should be 1) removed from CCP Dismissal or 2) permitted to take a course in the same subject while on CCP Probation. The district superintendent will review the written explanation and will consider the following possible activities that a student has taken:*

- *Completion of high school courses with an established grade point average*
- *Completion of tutoring, extra course assistance, as available*
- *Development of an individual pathway plan that includes high school graduation requirements and possible college courses*

*The district superintendent has the discretion to allow a student to participate in the program if the student meets other factors to demonstrate readiness.*

*Note: The CCP Probation and CCP Dismissal policy (OAC 3333-1-65.13) does not alter, supersede, or affect any college policy or procedure on academic probation or dismissal through the college. Students wishing to appeal the college's policy must do so by following the college's procedures.*

**Secondary schools must include CCP Probation, CCP Dismissal, and appeals information during the annual Information Session and Counseling Session.**